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Hampton-Court, Dec. 27. The following Addreſs from the County of *Lincoln* was preſented to His Majeſty by Sir *John Thorold* Bar. one of the Repreſentatives of the ſaid County for the enſuing Parliament, being introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Lindſey* Lord Great Chamberlain of *England*, and Lord Lieutenant of the ſaid County.

To His moſt Sacred Majeſty William *the Third.*

The humble Addreſs of the Lord Lieutenant, the Deputy Lieutenants, and Officers of the Militia, at a General Muſter held at *Lincoln* for the County of *Lincoln*, together with the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church, the Juſtices of the Peace, Clergy, Gentry, and Freeholders, of the ſaid County.

THE invaluable Bleſſings we owe to Your Majeſty's Acceſſion to the Crown, and ſtill enjoy under Your Majeſty's wiſe and happy Government, and by Your Majeſty's Wiſdom, and the late Settlement of the Succeſſion in the Proteſtant Line, may, we hope, with God's Bleſſing be continued down to future Ages; give us ſuch a ſenſible Abhorrence of every Attempt againſt the Rights, Honour and Safety of Your Majeſty, and the happy Proviſion for the Security of the Religion and Government of theſe Kingdoms, that we think our ſelves in all Duty bound to give the moſt publick Teſtimony we are capable of, of our Deteſtation and Abhorrence of the Indignities offered to Your Sacred Majeſty and theſe Kingdoms, by the French *King's giving the Title of King of England to the pretended Prince of* Wales.

We therefore preſume to aſſure Your Majeſty, That as we think our ſelves bound to make ſuch Returns of Duty, as may ſhew we have a juſt Senſe of the Happineſs we enjoy under Your Majeſty's Government; ſo we ſhall be ready upon all Occaſions to defend Your Majeſty's Perſon, and juſt and lawful Titles to thoſe Your Kingdoms, as well againſt the pretended Prince of Wales, *as all other Your Majeſty's Enemies whatſoever.*

The following Addreſs from the Dean and Chapter of *Durham* was preſented to His Majeſty by Dr. *Montagu* Dean of *Durham*, and Clerk of the Cloſet to His Majeſty.

To the King's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Biſhop, the Dean and Chapter, of the Cathedral Church of *Durham*, and others of the Clergy in this Place.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majeſty's moſt Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, do with all Humility crave Leave to Congratulate Your Majeſty's ſafe Arrival and happy Return with more confirm'd Health, and to acknowledge the Preſervation of our Religion as eſtabliſhed in the Church of England, *together with the Laws and Liberties of this Kingdom, to be (next under the Providence of GOD) chiefly owing to Your Majeſty's Courage and Conduct, which has reſcued us from the Dangers of Popery and Arbitrary Power: And therefore we cannot but declare in this publick manner our juſt Reſentments of the Inſolence of the* French *King's Proceedings, by preſuming to ſet-up the pretended Prince of* Wales *in Affront to Your Majeſty's Rightful and Lawful Title to theſe Your Majeſty's Realms and Dominions. And further we aſſure Your Majeſty, That, according to our ſeveral Stations and Capacities, we ſhall always be ready to aſſiſt Your Majeſty with our utmoſt Endeavours for the Defence and Support of Your Sacred Perſon and Government, againſt all Deſigns and Attempts whatſoever. And we are deeply ſenſible of Your Majeſty's Pious Care and Wiſdom, with the Good Advice of Your Great Council in Parliament, in ſettling and ſecuring the Succeſſion of this Crown in the Proteſtant Line; which is a Bleſſing ſo highly Valuable, that after-ages, as well as we, muſt needs proclaim Your Majeſty to have been our Great Deliverer, and True Defender of our Faith. That Your Majeſty may long Live and Reign over us; and ſpeedily reduce the exorbitant Power of* France, *which through Perfidiouſneſs, Perſecution, and Uſurpation, has ſo often diſturb'd the Peace and Repoſe of Europe; is the daily Prayer of, May it pleaſe Your Majeſty, Your Majeſty's moſt Obedient Subjects.*

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Great Bedwin* was preſented to His Majeſty by *Francis Stonehouſe* and *Michael Midford* Eſqs; their Repreſentatives for the ſitting Parliament.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Portreeve, Burgeſſes, and Inhabitants, of the Borough of *Great Bedwin* in the County of *Wilts.*

Great SIR,

AS our utmoſt Gratitude and Acknowledgments are juſtly due to Your Majeſty for the Preſervation of our Religion, Liberties, and Properties; ſo we cannot but with the greateſt Deteſtation reſent the perfidious Indignity lately offered to Your Royal Perſon by the French *King, in endeavouring to ſet-up the Title of a pretended Prince of* Wales *to Your Majeſty's Kingdoms of* England, Scotland, *and* Ireland. *And we do aſſure Your Majeſty, That upon all Occaſions we will be ready, with the utmoſt hazard of our Lives and Fortunes, to maintain and defend (againſt all Pretenders whatſoever) Your juſt and lawful Title to theſe Kingdoms, which is our Intereſt, as well as Duty, to pray GOD Your Majeſty may long and happily enjoy.*

The following Addreſs from the Baptiſt Miniſters in and about the City of *London* was preſented to His Majeſty by Mr. *Stanet*, introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Peterborough*.

To the King's Moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Baptiſt Miniſters, (in and about the City of *London*) in the behalf of themſelves and their ſeveral Congregations.

May it pleaſe Your Majeſty,

WE adore the Divine Providence that has again bleſſed this Nation with Your Royal Preſence, and humbly Congratulate Your Majeſty's ſafe Return: And as we can't forget what Difficulties and Dangers Your Majeſty has generouſly Encounter'd, and gloriouſly Overcome, in delivering and protecting theſe Kingdoms from Popery and Arbitrary Power; ſo we conceive a Juſt Indignation againſt the late perfidious and preſumptuous Conduct of the French *King, who, not content to Enſlave and Perſecute his own People, aſpires to give Kings and Laws to other Nations, and has taken upon him to own and declare the pretended Prince of* Wales *to be King of theſe Realms, of which Your Majeſty is the only Lawful and rightful Sovereign.*

We gratefully acknowledge Your Majeſty's Pious Care, as the Father of Your People, in ſo ſeaſonably Recommending to the late Parliament, the Settlement of the Succeſſion in the Proteſtant Line: And we beg Leave to aſſure Your Majeſty, That we ſhall always remember, as well the Sacred Ties of Gratitude, as the other Solemn Obligations we are under, particularly that of the Aſſociation we formerly ſubſcrib'd, and ſhall in this Critical Juncture, and on all other Occaſions, do all that becomes Engliſh *Men and Proteſtants, (in the Stations wherein the Law permits us to act) in the Defence and Support of Your Majeſty's Perſon and Government, under which we enjoy our Civil and Religious Liberties.*

That the Great GOD (by whom Kings reign) may influence Your Majeſty's Counſels, defeat the Wicked Deſigns of all Your Enemies, give Your Majeſty a happy Meeting with the Repreſentatives of Your People; grant Your Majeſty a vigorous Health and long Life, for the Defence and Advancement of the Proteſtant Intereſt, and the Liberties of Europe; *and at laſt conduct Your Majeſty to a Crown of Immortal Bliſs and Glory, is the hearty Prayer of (Great Sir,) Your Majeſty's moſt Loyal and moſt obedient Subjects.*

The following Addreſs was likewiſe preſented to His Majeſty.

To King William *the Third, over* England, &c.

An Addreſs from the People commonly called Quakers, Humbly preſented.

May it pleaſe the King,

WE Thy Dutiful Subjects ſincerely expreſs our Joy for Thy ſafe Return to Thy People, having great Cauſe to love, honour, and pray for Thee, as a Prince whom we believe GOD hath promoted, and principled, for the good Ends of Government, under whoſe Reign we enjoy great Mercies and Bleſſings; and particularly that of Liberty to Tender Conſciences in Religious Worſhip, as a proper Expedient to unite Thy Proteſtant Subjects in Intereſt and Affection.

For which great Mercy, we cannot but be humbly Thankful to GOD, and renew our grateful Acknowledgment to the King, whom GOD by his Almighty Power hath eminently Preſerved, and made Inſtrumental, in Prudence as well as Goodneſs, to other Kings and Princes, to carry Thy Memorial will be Renowned to Poſterity.

We are alſo engaged to bleſs the Lord for that he hath manifeſtly fruſtrated the Miſchievous and Treacherous Deſigns of Thine and the Nation's Adverſaries, both againſt the Lawful Eſtabliſhment of Thy Throne, and the True Intereſt of Thy Proteſtant Subjects.

And we beſeech Almighty GOD to bleſs the Good Deſigns and Juſt Undertakings of the King, and His Great Council, for the Good of His People, and for obtaining to Europe *a firm and laſting Peace; and continue Thee, O King, a Bleſſing to theſe Nations, eſtabliſh Thy Throne in Mercy and Truth; give to Thee a long and proſperous Reign over us, and hereafter a glorious Immortality; Is and ſhall be the fervent Prayer of us, Thy True and Faithful Subjects.*

Signed in behalf, and by appointment, of the aforeſaid People at a Meeting in London, *the 8th Day of the Tenth Month,* 1701.

An humble and loyal Addreſs from the Inhabitants of the Town and Port of *Whitby*, in the North-Riding of the County of *York*, was preſented to His Majeſty by *Hugh Cholmley* Eſq.

A dutiful and loyal Addreſs from the Sovereign, Recorder, Burgeſſes, Freemen and Inhabitants, of the Town of *Charleville*, in the Province of *Munſter* in the County of *Corke*, was preſented to His Majeſty by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Orrery*.

An humble and loyal Addreſs from the Provoſt, Burgeſſes, and Freemen, of the Borough of *Inniskilling*, was preſented to His Majeſty by Sir *Michael Cole*.

All which Addreſſes His Majeſty received very Graciouſly.

Naples, Dec. 7. *N. S.* The Count *d'Eſtrees* has been to view the ſeveral Caſtles and Forts on this Coaſt, and has given Directions for repairing their Fortifications. The Vice-Roy of *Naples* has cauſed the Prince *Caſerta*, the Marquis of *Loffrano*, and the Duke of *Telſſa*, who are accuſed of being concerned in the late Riſing here, and have made their eſcapes out of this Kingdom, to be condemned as Rebels, and has confiſcated their Eſtates; as alſo that of the Marquis *del Vaſto*, who is now at *Rome*, becauſe he did not return within the time limitted, to juſtify himſelf of the Accuſation laid to his Charge. The Bank of the *Annunciata* in this City failed ſome days ago for 4 Millions of Ducats, to the Ruine of many Families.

Milan, Dec. 16. The Senate here do daily receive Complaints from the Inhabitants of the *Cremoneze*, of the great Damages they ſuſtain by the *French* Soldiers quartered in thoſe parts; but they are not able to give them any redreſs. The Prince of *Vaudemont*, our Governor, ſent Orders this week to the Marquis *de los Balbaces*, who commands a Body of *Spaniſh* Horſe near *Caſſano*, to march to *Lodi*. The Conde *de los Torres*, Chief of the Artillery of this State, is gone to *Spain*, in purſuance of the Orders he lately received from the Court at *Madrid*; and Don *Franciſco de Lorenzo*, a Colonel in the *Spaniſh* Horſe here, having received the like Orders, intends to follow him in few days; 'Tis ſaid, ſeveral other Officers of this Dutchy, both Civil and Military, will be removed from their Employments and ordered to repair to ſeveral Provinces in *Spain*, where they are to remain in a kind of Baniſhment.